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In re the Application of:

Donald K. Jones et al.

Serial No. 09/880,506

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For: OCCLUDING VASCULATURE OF A
PATIENT USING EMBOLIC COIL WITH
IMPROVED PLATELET ADHESION

TO: Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to an action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add the following new claims 21-26:

21. An embolic coil formed of wire and having a textured surface which, when said embolic coil is implanted in a patient's vasculature, provides improved platelet adhesion compared to a non-textured surface, to promote clotting.